



PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No. Krause-01

Applicant: KRAUSE, Robert P.

Examiner: Karmanis, Stephano  
Art Unit : 3624

Serial No.: 09/505,947

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For: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, SYSTEM AND  
EXCHANGES (FINANCIAL, STOCK, OPTION  
AND COMMODITY) BASED UPON  
VOLATILITY

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Applicant respectfully requests a two month extension of time to respond to the Office Action November 4, 2003, which set a one month time period to respond, thereby extending the time to respond through to, and including February 4, 2004, the date of this mailing.

Applicant includes herewith the proscribed Small Entity fee of \$210.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2), by credit card. Form PTO-2038 (completed) is attached.

**INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT**

In the Office Action, the Examiner requests that applicant provide a complete set of claims with the requirements indicated to render the prior amendment compliant. The following is proffered to satisfy that request.

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